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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Applicant submits the following Preliminary Amendment concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in reply to the Office Action mailed October 15, 2008. In light of the following amendments and remarks, Applicant requests reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims. The Office is authorized to deduct the requisite fee for entry of this RCE from IBM's Deposit Account 09-0461.